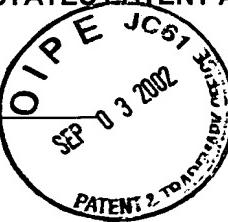


## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): Aldcroft et al.  
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 Appln. Title: Particulate Carrier for Biologic Formulations

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REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: September 3, 2002

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1. Small Entity claim		
A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT made	For B & C	
B. <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn	See Required	
C. <input type="checkbox"/> made herewith	Separate Paper	
D. <input type="checkbox"/> made previously	(Pat-256)	

	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
2. Total Effective Claims	26	**minus	23	3	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$54 103/203
3. Independent Claims	1	***minus	3	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0 102/202
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application)		add		+ \$280/\$140 =	+ \$0	104/204
5. Original due Date: September 7, 2002	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE					
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached	(1 mo) (2 mos) (3 mos) (4 mos) (5 mos)	\$110/\$55 = \$400/\$200 = \$920/\$460 = \$1,440/\$720 = \$1,960/\$980 =	+ \$0			115/215 116/216 117/217 118/218 128/228
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract		- \$0				
8.		Extension Fee	+ \$0			
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee		+ \$110/\$55	+ \$0			148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c), or if Rule 97(d) Request	add add	+ \$180 + \$180	+ \$0			126 126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)		+ \$740/370	+ \$0			146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b)		x \$740/370 ea	+ \$0			149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)		+ \$740/370	+ \$0			1179/1279
14. Petition fee for		+ \$0				
15.		TOTAL FEE =	\$54			
16. *If the entry in this space is less than entry in next space, the "Present Extra" result is "0".						
17. **If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.						
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CHARGE STATEMENT: The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any missing or insufficient fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under Rules 16-18 (missing or insufficiencies only) now or hereafter relative to this application and the resulting Official Document under Rule 20, or credit any overpayment, to our Accounting/Order Nos. shown above, for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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